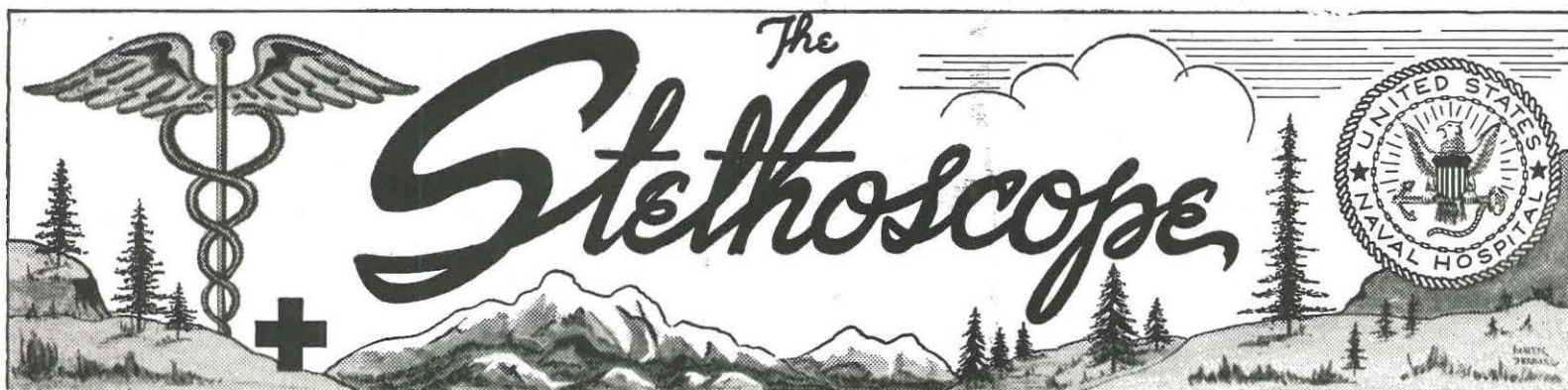




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NAVY, MARINE CORPS MEDAL AWARDED TO WARD 46 PATIENT

Wm. Clark Stevens, RM2c, patient on Ward 46, was presented with the Navy Marine Corps Medal for heroism in a recent ceremony in the office of the commanding officer, Capt. F. C. Hill.

In a citation signed by Vice Adm T. C. Kinkaid, Cmdr. Seventh Fleet, the following was set forth: "For distinguishing himself by heroism in rescuing a shipmate while based on the U.S.S. St. Lo, during her action with enemy surface forces and aircraft in the vicinity of the Philippine Islands on 25 October 1944. With complete disregard for his own safety and at great risk to his life, Stevens rescued a mate who had been seriously wounded by an explosion on the flight deck. Ignoring flames and flying debris, he went into the wreckage and brought back the wounded man. His loyalty and steadfast devotion above the normal call of duty, was a great inspiration to all officers and men aboard. His conduct throughout was in accordance with the highest traditions of the Navy of the United States."

Stevens, whose home was in Roseburg, Oregon, before he entered the service in June 1941, served at Saipan, Tinian, Guam, Leyte and in the Second Battle of the Philippines. He wears the Purple Heart medal.



Billeting Bureaus Established by Navy To Assist Personnel

Announcement has been made by the 13th Naval District headquarters of the establishment of Army and Navy Reservation and Billeting bureaus in Seattle and Portland. In Seattle the bureau is located at 406 University Street, Phone Seneca 4352 or Elliott 1570. In Portland the address is 721 S.W. 6th St.

The Reservation and Billeting Bureaus are established to assist armed forces personnel in securing hotel reservations for temporary accommodations and to assist armed force personnel in locating rooms, apartments or homes for permanent housing.

The Bureaus are open from 0800 to 2400 daily and from 0900 to 2400 on Sundays. Priority on hotel reservations will be given to those: Traveling on official business, returning from or en route overseas; on leave or furlough.

Requests for hotel reservations may be made by telephone, telegraph, letter or in person.

Navy Orders Rationing of All Smoking Tobacco—to Start 3 June

By order of the Secretary of the Navy dated 11 May 1945, all smoking tobacco, cigarettes and cigars will be rationed to service personnel at Navy resale activities commencing Sunday 3 June 1945.

The procedure will be as follows:

(a) Each member of the military service will be issued a ration card good until 29 October, 1945. These cards will be presented at time of purchase and will be punched at the same time.

(b) Holders of ration cards will be permitted to purchase the following amounts of tobacco:

Six packages of cigarettes weekly, OR 24 cigars weekly, OR 4 ounces of smoking tobacco weekly.

Patients received from combat areas or forces afloat where their disability is due to such service will be permitted to purchase the following amounts:

Ten packages of cigarettes weekly, OR 32 cigars weekly, OR 8 ounces of smoking tobacco weekly.

Personnel under orders or on leave will be able to purchase up to four weeks rations upon presentation of competent orders or leave papers.

(c) It is proposed to issue ration cards in the near future and prior to 2 June, 1945.

(d) Patients being discharged from the service will be required to turn in their ration cards before receiving their discharge.

(e) Dependents of Naval personnel will be required to possess a ration card before being able to purchase tobacco at the Ship's Service store. Issue of cards to dependents will be made in person only and upon presentation of proper credentials such as dependents certificate or other similar identification.

(f) Lost cards will not be replaced until a period of ten (10) days have elapsed after notice of such loss. At the time of issue of a new card the current week's ration will be cancelled. (Moral: Don't lose your card.)

(g) ANYONE USING ANOTHER PERSON'S CARD WILL BE REPORTED TO THE COMMANDING OFFICER FOR DISCIPLINARY ACTION. BE PREPARED AT ALL TIMES TO PRODUCE YOUR

BENEFICIARY SLIP NOT AN NSI CHANGE

The question has been asked: Is it true that when I executed a beneficiary slip, changing my beneficiary, I still had not changed beneficiaries so far as National Service Life Insurance is concerned? In other words, I married recently and executed Form 502. Someone said that I had to take another step to change my beneficiary for insurance purposes. Was he right?

The answer is: Absolutely right. Execution of Form 502 serves only to make a change of beneficiary for your military record and, in the event of your death, for the purpose of proper payment of the sixth months' death gratuity. You still have not changed the beneficiary of your NSI (insurance)—that is, until you either procure from a disbursing officer and execute necessary forms for that purpose, or until you write to the Veterans' Administration, Washington 25, D.C., requesting a change in your beneficiary and giving both the name of the present beneficiary and the name of the new beneficiary to whom you wish your insurance payable in the event of your death. It is important to remember, therefore, that Form 502—the so-called "beneficiary slip" is not all-inclusive.

NAVY IDENTIFICATION CARD WHEN PRESENTING YOUR RATION CARD.

(h) THE ISSUE OF TOBACCO TO BED PATIENTS WILL BE COVERED BY A HOSPITAL ORDER TO BE ISSUED PRIOR TO INSTITUTING THE RATION PROCEDURE.

Londonderry, Vt. (CNS)—A local primary school has had 8 new teachers since last Thanksgiving. Four of the teachers quit to go into defense work, 2 got married and one became principal of another school.



"Except for our War Bond investments, did you ever see anything multiply so fast?"

The Stethoscope

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READJUSTMENT TO PEACE

The present decade is characterized as an era of changing conditions. The entire world has altered its general concepts from those of peace to those of total war. The lives of most individuals have been similarly affected by the same influences and once again we are approaching the problem of returning to peacetime pursuits. The contemporary press has been telling the "home folks" how to treat the returning service man so that after the vicissitudes of war he might be spared the hardships of peace.

There are specific problems of readjustment for the adolescent who left the sheltered environment of home but who now returns a man; the husband and father during whose absence the family has developed new attitudes and habits, and for those returning to industrial life under the new economy. These are individual and must be so met. The service man's return however also poses certain difficult situations for the home folks which require cooperation in their solution. They are interested in your experiences, attitudes and ideas and a frank discussion of them will do much to create the mutual understanding so essential for happiness. The prima donna is not needed but a tolerant, confident, happy veteran will do much to re-establish domestic peace. Don't complain if there is dust over the windows or lint is found in the corners, help is hard to obtain. If meat and butter is lacking on the dinner table, remember the mathematics of the ration books. When the entire family fails to appear at breakfast in the clothes of the day, don't consider them careless and slovenly. If your plans for an evening out have to be altered because of the small children, don't forget that there are cares and responsibilities connected with a home.

There is no reason to worry about your readjustment. The man who could adapt himself to military conditions can surely re-enter civilian status successfully. Your part in the successful defense of the homeland has developed in you the necessary characteristics to help the "home folks" get back to normal living.

WARREN G. HARDING (MC) USNR
Assistant Surgical Service.

Lt. De Roos Detached; To Serve at Astoria

Staff members bid von voyage last week to two more staff officers. Leaving for the Naval Air Station at Astoria, Oregon, was Lt. John J. DeRoos, popular member of the staff since August 1944. Dr. DeRoos was an assistant on the surgical service.

Lt. B. E. Gibson who has been stationed at the hospital for the past several months received orders for

NAVY TOPS NURSE QUOTA

WASHINGTON, D. C. (HCQNS)—The drive to fill a Navy quota of 11,500 nurses on active duty has been so successful that future applications will be turned over to the Army, according to an announcement by Vice Admiral Ross T. McIntire, Surgeon General of the Navy.

The medical department now has urgent need of 4,000 additional medical officers, he added.

sea duty and was detached last week.

Know Your Officers



COMMANDER W. G. SCOTT

Heading the X-Ray department and also the Rehabilitation program at the U. S. Naval Hospital is Commander Wendell G. Scott, (MC) USNR, who reported for duty from the U. S. Naval Hospital, San Diego, on August 25, 1943.

Dr. Scott is a graduate of the school of medicine of the University of Washington in 1932 and was assistant professor of radiology at that school and assistant radiologist to Barnes Hospital and the Edward Wallinskrodt Institute of Radiology in St. Louis before entering the service.

Before coming to the Seattle hospital, Dr. Scott was roentgenologist at the U. S. Naval Air Station at San Diego and at the family hospital at that place and also assistant Roentgenologist at the Naval hospital in San Diego.

Receives Army Badge



Bennett Ellis Loomis, Jr., Y3c, was recently presented with the Army Distinguished Unit Badge by Capt. Franch R. Moore, executive officer. Loomis, a patient on Ward 47, received the badge and congrat-

Chaplains Corner

DIVINE SERVICES

Hospital Chapel
CATHOLIC

Chaplain.....John Lane
Sunday Masses.....0620 and 0930
Weekday Mass.....0620 Daily
Novena Service.....Tuesday 1800
Confessions: Heard before all masses

PROTESTANT

Chaplains.....W. Boyd Thrift
Lloyd A. Doty
Divine Services.....1030
Choir Rehearsal.....Wednesdays, 1700

End of the Rainbow

Rainbows are things that ordinarily don't last long. But they're nice while they do last. A youngster one day discovered a puddle of rain water on which a smear of oil from a passing car had spread a hundred crazily blended colors. "Look," he shouted, "there's a rainbow that got broken."

A lot of rainbows get broken in this day of war, and hopes and ideals that once soared to the clouds are now smashed and scattered in the mud. When that happens, we tend to trample them even deeper into the mud and to declare that what we once believed in and hoped for was false.

Yet, if you will look carefully at the men whose lives have been outstanding for accomplishments and steadfastness, you'll find that they, too, had dreams and hopes and ideals. Why did they succeed where we fail?

Perhaps the difference can be found in the fact that not only did they build castles in the air, but they also put foundations under them. These men faced their problems squarely and realistically. They saw clearly what it was that they wanted to do, they took stock of their resources, and then set out to organize and use what they had. We'd better do the same.

Rainbows are beautiful, and they ought to be preserved. Let's put the kind of support under them that will hold them up.—W.B.T.

Purple Heart Medals Received By 4 Patients

Purple Heart awards and citations have been received at the hospital during the past ten days for a number of patients. Among those receiving the honor were Pvt. Anchel Goldberg, Pfc. Douglas Roy Gordon, First Lt. Russell L. Hewitt, and Cpl. Robert L. Chapman.

ulations from the Chief of Naval Personnel for taking part in the engagement for the defense of the Philippines between 7 December, 1941, and 9 April, 1942.

Buy War Bonds

MANY PATIENTS FITTED WITH NEW ACRYLIC EYES

With approximately 35 patients under treatment and a comparatively large number of patients already fitted, the ocular replacement department of the hospital is kept continually busy.

One of four United States Naval Hospitals to adopt the new department the first of the year, the local department caring for eye casualty patients is under the supervision of Lt. Comdr. Q. J. Millgard (DC) USN, technical advisor who works as a team with Lt. Cmdr. Carl Jensen of the EENT clinic who surgically prepares each eye socket for the new artificial acrylic eye.

Dr. Millgard was one of four dental officers trained in Washington, D. C. by the Navy in maxillo-facial (ocular replacement) proficiency. The prosthetic laboratory is located in the dental clinic at the present time but will soon be moved to its own department.

In summarizing the many advantages of the acrylic ocular replacement it was learned that: The natural contours of the face before the eye was lost are restored in whole or in part. The replacement, because it is adapted to muscle coordination, is capable of movements of varying degree. Light reflections may be reproduced accurately to simulate the existing eye; color matching to satisfy esthetic requirements may be acquired. The acrylic material used is only slightly susceptible to etching from the eye socket fluids or secretions and if scratched from handling it may be repolished.

One of the unusual factors learned in discussing the new acrylic ocular replacements was the fact that a fluorescent material is mixed with the plastic in order that certain fluorescent lightings will not "black out" the artificial replacements thus causing embarrassment to the wearer.

First consideration in fitting the patient for an ocular replacement is an examination by the ophthalmologist to make sure that the eye socket is in excellent condition to receive the replacement.

The first step in making the prosthesis is that of taking an impression of the eye socket. After removal, the negative reproduction is checked for accuracy and surfaces hardened and a stone working cast is poured.

Photographs are taken of the eye area to provide a means of accurate measurement of the iris and pupil and to facilitate registration of the lid contours. Views are also taken to determine the normal facial contour which should be restored.

The working cast hardened, a wax pattern is then created and when satisfactorily fitted is duplicated in the acrylic material.

Serving in the prosthetic laboratory as medical illustrator is Wave Virginia Neale, PhM2c, who was recently assigned to the hospital after completing a course in coloring and matching of the new acrylic eyes at the Naval Dental School,

Bethesda, Md. Neale, who hails from New Wilmington, Pa., taught school in Pennsylvania following three and one-half years of art work at Edenboro Teachers College near Erie, Pa. She attended hospital corps school at Sampson Naval Hospital in New York and spent 16 months in hospital work at the Marine Base near Edenton, N. C.

As medical illustrator, she paints an exact reproduction of the color of the patient's existing eye which is used for matching the acrylic mix used in the replacement. The illustrator also does the drawing and color work on the acrylic cast.

The plastic eye technique, comparatively new, had its beginning a few years ago when the source of supply of glass eyes (Germany) was cut off. Experiments have proven the superiority of the new acrylic eyes over glass eyes, for they do not break, are less affected by secretions and do not become discolored. In addition to such material advantages they are much more natural in appearance and according to patients more comfortable to wear.

Also assigned to the prosthetic eye lab is A. K. Zwart, HA1c who assists Dr. Millgard in the laboratory work, necessary for the creation of the new eye replacements.

Lower Ceiling Prices On Grey Uniforms

Lower dollar-and-cent ceiling prices have been established for gray summer uniforms made of a new type of cotton twill and worn by Navy commissioned officers, Warrant Officers and Chief Petty Officers, the Office of Price Administration says.

The prices effective 7 May cover sales by manufacturers, wholesalers and retailers.

The uniforms are being made of a fabric not previously used for that purpose, from material owned by the Navy and released to uniform manufacturers. The new fabric uniforms will add to retail stocks of Navy "greys" which are in tight supply at present, Arthur J. Krauss, OPA district director said.

Retail ceiling prices are a maximum of \$15.08 for the suit, \$10.30 for the coat, and \$4.77 for the pants. This compares with \$15.38, \$10.50 and \$3.88 maximum retail prices for other cotton twill "greys."

Because of the differences in material costs, prices for these new uniforms are slightly lower than the prices now in force for other Navy cotton twill "greys."

The new uniforms are expected to appear in the stores within two or



Lt. Comdr. Q. J. Millgard (DC) USN, is technical advisor in the ocular replacement department of the hospital. One of four dental officers trained in Washington, D.C., by the Navy in maxillo-facial proficiency, Dr. Millgard is enthusiastic about the new ocular replacements. He is shown at work in the laboratory located in Ward 23.



Virginia Neale, PhM2c, medical illustrator, is shown with A. K. Zwart, HA1c, of the prosthetic eye lab discussing a problem concerning the creation of an acrylic ocular replacement. Much work and personal interest in the patient's problem is expended by the department's staff. The medical illustrator, laboratory technicians and surgeon who prepares the eye for replacement work in close cooperation with the patient.

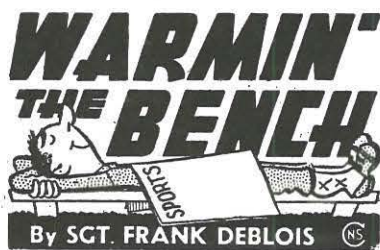
three weeks. Navy personnel purchasing "greys" should look for the retail ceiling price on the size ticket or other appropriate ticket. Under the regulation, all manufacturers of uniforms are required to pre-ticket the garments with the retail ceiling prices.

IT'S A BOY

Congratulations to Lt. (jg) and Mrs. Laurence Erickson on the birth of their son, which occurred recently at Swedish hospital. Dr. Erickson is on the interne service at the Seattle Naval hospital.

SPORTS

GEORGE NASH, SPORTS EDITOR



You could have knocked South Chicago over with a blow from a stockyard hambone when the Cubs shipped Lou Novikoff; the borsch-eating outfielder, back to the minors. But to the boys who have seen them come and go for years, it wasn't surprising at all.

Colorful and likeable, Lou Novikoff was one of the best hitters the minor leagues ever developed. He led every league he ever played in—except the National. He was a killer—in the minors. But like Buzz Arlett, Count Puccinelli, Jimmy O'Connell, Ike Boone, Smead Jolley and Ox Eckhardt—killers all—he couldn't make good in the big time.

In the first place, Lou couldn't field his position. In the second place, he couldn't hit a high, outside curve. Feed them low and keep them inside and Lou would murder you. But they don't make it a point to pitch to your strength in the majors.

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One-legged Bert Shepard, AAF lieutenant who lost his right leg when his plane was shot down over Germany, has been signed to a coach's contract by the Washington Senators. Shepherd, an ex-minor league pitcher, threw two innings for the Senators recently in an exhibition game at Ft. Story, and fanned the side in the ninth.

A patient at Walter Reed Hospital, Shephard impressed Clark Griffith and Larry MacPhail with his stuff. Griffith immediately signed him as coach and batting practice pitcher, but announced after the Ft. Story game that Bert may be a starting pitcher yet.

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One-armed Pete Gray hit three for three his first day at bat for the St. Louis Browns. The next time out he sacrificed in the winning run in the ninth. Want to know who will play centerfield for the Brownies this season? His name is Gray.

SPORTS SCHEDULE

Men's Intra-mural Softball League
4 June, 1730—Education vs. Storeroom No. 2.

1830—Commissary vs. Officers.
5 June, 1730—Marines Fire Dept. vs. Rehabilitation.

Women's Intra-mural Softball League

6 June, 1800—Port Waves vs.

Tennis Tournaments For Men and Women

A singles and doubles tennis tournament for enlisted staff personnel will start 11 June. All games will be played on hospital courts. Gear may be checked out from the gear locker which is open evenings and Sundays.

Matches will be at two out of three sets up to semi-finals. Semi-finals and finals will be three out of five sets.

A single elimination tournament will be run off. Time for matches will be arranged by the contestants and are to be run off during the week scheduled. Results of games are to be turned in to the gear locker attendant immediately following the matches.

All Waves and nurses may participate in an all-women's tennis tournament to be held on the nurses' courts starting 11 June. Both singles and doubles will be played. The tournament will be single elimination with the same arrangement as in the men's tournament.

Interested persons should sign up in their respective quarters. Information may be obtained by calling Ext. 227.

Marine-Fire Dept. Team Leads Softball League

Trimming the Education Department 9-8 for their second victory, the Marine-Fire Dept. team leads the loop in the intra-mural softball league on the compound. The officers who were undefeated met their Waterloo at the hands of the Storeroom, dropping them into third place.

Recent Games

	R	H	E
Storeroom	4	6	1
Officers	2	4	2
Batteries: Schmidt and Starsis; Rath and Ewen.			
Education	8	9	3
Marines	9	12	2
Batteries: Proctor and Weiland; Lager and Couch.			
Commissary	6	5	3
Rehabilitation	10	10	0
Batteries: Doty and Gronda; Snyder and Harms.			

New York (CNS)—A passenger hopped into a taxi. "Where to?" the driver said. "Brooklyn," replied the passenger. "Nuts," the cabbie complained. "I ain't got the gas. I'll give you a dollar to get out and walk."

Nurses.

Women's Varsity Softball Schedule
7 June—Naval Hospital vs. Naval Air Station at Sand Point.

Golf Leagues

Both officers and enlisted men will play as scheduled.

A Place for the Blue Monday Wash



Rub-a-dub-dub, nine men at the tubs, at least that was what it was when the above picture was taken of the interior of the "Scrub and Wash Clothes Building," located on the hospital compound between Wards 8 and 9.

The completely modern (with the exception of washing machines) wash house was recently constructed for the use of patients having to contend with that little problem of "luxing them out." Washing of clothing in wards is forbidden.

The following schedule has been arranged in order that the hand laundry may be available to all patients: Mondays, Wards 1 to 10 and Ward 33; Thursdays, Wards 20 to 29 and Wards 34 and 35; Fridays, Wards 40 and 51. Washing will not begin until 1300 and all clothes washed on one day will be taken

off the lines before 1300 of the following day. Clothes remaining on the line at 1300 will be placed in the lucky bag. Clothing must be tied to the drying lines in a regulation manner with clothes stops. Each person using the facilities of the building will be responsible for cleaning up after himself.

In addition to the facilities offered by the building, patients are offered the services of the Ship's Service laundry, also located on the compound.

SPORTS SHORTS

You baseball fans will want to see that Portland-Seattle series that starts Wednesday, 30 May. This should be a real series and the league leadership may be at stake. Don't forget that free tickets are available to all home games in Seattle with the exception of Sundays.

The station varsity softball team has been playing great ball of late, winning three out of their last four games. The team has shown much improvement over their early season performances and they are getting to be a real contender for top laurels in the Puget Sound Servicemen's League. Good work, fellows, keep it up.

Frank Hogan, PhM3c, the hospital ten's newest pitcher, has proven himself to be very effective. Frank has pitched the hospital to all of its victories and one of his efforts was a two-hit shutout performance. Congrats, Frank.

The Waves' varsity softball team looks snappy in new uniforms. Good luck in the season's play.

Centerfielder Elliott continues to lead the station varsity ten's hitters, Verbeski, third sacker, has batted his way into second place followed by that "Clutch" hitter Chief Frank.

Hospital Varsity Team Advances in League

ball team playing heads-up ball and backing up pitcher Frank Hogan with excellent support, won two games last week to climb in the standings of the Puget Sound Servicemen's League.

Pitcher Hogan, who boasts excellent control as his main forte, allowed only 2 hits in shutting out Port Headquarters 6-0 and followed this with a 4-hit effort against the League's leading Alaska Communication System ten, beating them 3-1. Verbeski and Frank led the hitting against the Port Headquarters while outstanding fielding plays by Elliott, Antonacci and Cascio featured the win over A.C.S.

Box Score

	R	H	E
Naval Hospital	6	6	0
Port Headquarters	0	2	5
Batteries: Hogan and Dalgren; Soto and Wazener.			

	R	H	E
Naval Hospital	3	4	2
Alaska Comm. System	1	4	1
Batteries: Hogan and Frank; Gill and McCarthy.			

To Give Rating Exams Near Middle Of Month

Examinations for hospital corps ratings will be given monthly, at a date near the middle of the month in the future, according to an announcement made by Chief Pharm. R. E. Mattson of the rating board.

According to Mr. Mattson personnel wishing to take the examination and who will have completed their class work or finished their courses by the 30th of that month will be eligible to take the rating tests. If the tests are taken and the work not completed by the 30th of the month, the person will be declared not eligible.

Mr. Mattson stated that the rating board would not know the number of vacancies existing in the complement and that those taking the test would be doing so at their own risk of receiving a new or higher rating if they successfully passed the examination. He stated that there would be no waiting list. If there were no vacancies in rate, those passing the test would be obliged to take the test the following month in order to obtain a new or higher rating.

Lt. Brookover Named Training Aids Officer

Lt. W. B. Brookover, (S) USNR, has been officially designated by Commanding Officer Captain F. C. Hill, as Training Aids Officer for this base.

Working under the supervision of the medical officer in command, Lt. Brookover's duties, as Training Aids Officer will include, keeping a current list of all medical and dental training films and strips that are available through the local Bupers Training Aids Section, procuring and maintaining necessary projection equipment, organizing and scheduling showings of medical training films at such time as will enable all medical officers, dental officers, hospital corpsmen and nurses to see the films produced and working in collaboration with the local Training Aids Section, a plan whereby frequently used medical training films can either be borrowed promptly or retained on extended loan.

Former Patient Wins 'Tall-Tales' Prize

A former Seattle Naval Hospital patient, Ray Linthacum, EM1c, was one of the ten winners of runner-up prizes of \$10 each in the Kate Smith Tall Tale Contest of April 29.

Hospitalized servicemen are offered \$450 in cash prizes each week by Kate Smith for their "Tall Tales"—\$250 first award, ten runner-up prizes of \$10 each and 20 additional prizes of \$5. The writer of the best "Tall Tale" of the year will receive a grand prize of \$1,000 from Kate Smith on her final CBS pro-

IN THE LIBRARY

With V-E Day behind us and V-J Day ahead, it might be well to become acquainted with the Asiatics, their way of life and their possible relation to the future. The Hospital Library has all of the following books:

One of the most enlightening and informative books is Owen Lattimore's **SOLUTION IN ASIA**, giving the reader a most cogent account of China, Japan and other Eastern areas.

Harrison Forman's **REPORT ON RED CHINA** is pictorial journalism in an account of the Chinese Communists and the part they have played in the war against Japan, as well as predictions as to their role in the post-war Chinese scheme.

RUSSIA IS NO RIDDLE is Edmund Stevens' attempt to interpret the Soviet peoples to the American people.

Kate Mitchell's **INDIA BETWEEN TWO WARS** is an up-to-date analysis of the political, social and economic forces which keep India in ferment.

Further Reading

Grew: **TEN YEARS IN JAPAN**; Lin Yutang: **VIGIL OF A NATION**; Norins: **GATEWAY TO ASIA—SINKIANG**; Abend: **TREATY PORTS**; Glick: **DOUBLE TEN**; and Sumner's: **A SHORT HISTORY OF RUSSIA**.

Given Commendation



Rudolph Henry Skau, CTM, USN, patient on Ward 46, recently was honored when presented with the Seventh Fleet Commendation Ribbon. Presentation to Chief Skau was made by Capt. French R. Moore, executive officer. Skau distinguished himself for service in operations against the enemy in the Southwest Pacific area.

gram of the year 10 June.

Linthacum was a patient on Ward 44, and since sending his prize winning "Tall Tale" has been invalided from the service. His home is in Larned, Kan.

CONGRATULATIONS IN ORDER



Paul Rice, S2c, on Ward 1, is shown examining the letter shown to him by Lt. (jg) Jean L. Williams, educational officer, which brought the good news that he had been awarded a high school diploma by the Dorchester High School for Boys in his home town, Dorchester, Mass.

Hospital Corps To Absorb Wave Recruits

WASHINGTON, D. C. (HCQNS)

The Hospital Corps will absorb fully 50 per cent of the recently announced quota for recruiting of 20,000 WAVES into the Navy within the next ten months, Lt. Cmdr. E. G. Dennis, (HC)USN, head of the Hospital Corps section, announced.

The expansion calls for 2,000 WAVE recruits to enter recruit training at Hunter College, N. Y., each month for an eight-week indoctrination period. The number of WAVES assigned to the Hospital Corps School (WR), Bethesda, Md., will be stepped up to 500 trainees per month and another facility will be devoted to training 1,500 Hospital Corps WAVES monthly after the recruit program is under way.

It is expected that the basic Hospital Corps course will be reduced from the present 16 weeks to eight weeks. The accelerated program will increase to 23,000 the number of WAVES in the Hospital Corps.

Wound Chevrons Suggested in Congress

WASHINGTON, D. C. (HCQNS)

Authorization of wound and war service chevrons for Navy personnel was sought in a bill introduced in the House of Representatives by Mrs. Bolton. The bill asks a wound chevron for each wound requiring treatment by a medical officer, a gold war-service chevron for each six months service outside the continental limits and a sky-blue chevron for service of less than six months outside the continental limits.

With an interim of 18 years between the last time he had received any formal education and the present, Paul Rice, S2c, patient on Ward 1, last week learned the good news that he had been awarded a high school diploma by the Dorchester, Mass., High School for Boys.

Through the administrative efforts of Lt. (jg) Jean L. Williams of the Educational department and the perseverance of Rice in passing the comprehensive examinations offered by the Educational department together with the cooperation of the high school, the sailor patient now holds the key to a higher education and a better chance for employment following his navy service.

A ream of correspondence has been rolled up in the actions leading up to the securing of the diploma for Rice, who is 34 years of age. He had completed only one year of high school, the ninth grade, back in 1927, and since that time has had no formal education. During the time from 1927 to July, 1944, when he entered the Navy, Rice served a hitch in the Marine Corps and immediately prior to his entrance into the Navy was employed as a painter and decorator. His Navy education in addition to boot camp included a training course at the Fleet Service School for Radar Operators.

The stiff comprehensive examinations which he passed to secure his high school diploma included five tests covering correct expression, interpretation of reading material in social studies, interpretation of reading material in natural sciences; interpretation of literary material and a general mathematical ability.

Noted Pianist Entertains Patients



Personally autographed photographs of the late President Roosevelt and Mrs. Roosevelt, framed in wood that had been part of the White House roof erected about 1817 and removed in 1929, are among the most prized possessions of Pescha Kagan, outstanding American pianist, who appeared at the Naval Hospital here on 22-23 May. Miss Kagan played in several of the wards on her visit to the hospital. Her appearance here was in connection with a tour of Army and Navy installations which includes a number of military hospitals.

The young pianist, of whom Dr. Walter Damrosch, dean of American conductors, called "one of the greatest talents I have ever heard," was a protegee of the great Paderewski and as a young student was often a guest at his home on Lake Geneva, in Switzerland.

She was born in a small town in Pennsylvania and made her debut as a concert pianist in this country. By invitation of the President of the United States, Miss Kagan performed at the White House.

Yonkers, N. Y. (CNS)—A court clerk, collecting traffic fines, took a double take when he saw one of his clients was Yonkers' Mayor Curtis Frank, who sheepishly paid a \$1 fine for overtime parking in front of the city hall.

Special GI Train — Frisco To Chicago

"The Furloughee Challenger," an all-coach train operated exclusively for service personnel and members of their immediate families actually accompanying them to their destinations, was recently inaugurated by the Southern Pacific Company.

The train leaves San Francisco at 1830 daily and arrives in Chicago at 0920 on the third day. Diners are provided for meal service.

The all-coach trains, as such, make no return trip, as it was established primarily to facilitate the heavy movement of military personnel traveling on furlough from the west to the east.

Reservations must be made in advance. All Southern Pacific offices in San Francisco and Oakland have allotments of seats.

Fellowships Offered In Physical Medicine

NEW YORK, N. Y. (HCQNS)—A limited number of fellowships in physical medicine, carrying an annual stipend of \$2,500 for single and \$3,000 for married men, was announced recently by the Baruch Committee on Physical Medicine, 597 Madison Ave., New York, 22, N. Y. Applicants must have an

NEWS FROM HOME

Lemont, Ill. (CNS)—George Hoffmeyer, who claimed to be the fattest man in the world, died recently at 63. He weighed 674 pounds following a siege of pneumonia in 1925. Before that he weighed only 145.

Moscow, Ida. (CNS)—A local boy, 8, was taken before the juvenile court on a charge of stealing four bicycles. He promised he wouldn't do it again so the judge let him go. The next day he was brought before the court again. This time he had copped a pony.

Okmulgee, Okla. (CNS) — The Rev. Howard Bush heard a prowler outside. He called the sheriff, then lay in wait in the bushes. After a 3-hour vigil, cold and hungry, he crept back into the house and ate a few soda crackers. Outside again, he was challenged by the sheriff. His mouth full of crackers, he couldn't answer. So the sheriff pumped his stomach full of lead.

Denver (CNS)—Members of the Colorado Board of Examiners for Engineers bought a gold cup for fellow member James Underhill who had never missed a meeting. The night of the presentation Underhill was absent—for the first time in 20 years.

Stoneham, Mass. (CNS) — Basil Trasker is 47, jobless, divorced and the father of three children. He advertised in a local newspaper for a wife, explaining that he was so busy minding his babies that he had no time to go a-wooing. Fifty women answered the ad, including grandmothers, school teachers, career girls, school girls and one Back Bay divorcee who said she had two cars and two country estates. Trasker hasn't made up his mind yet.

Buffalo, N. Y. (CNS) — Frank Gore, 18, was arraigned before a local court for singing. His singing, according to a patrolman who arrested him on a disorderly conduct charge, was lousy. "That's no grounds for arrest," said the judge. "Case dismissed."

Indianapolis (CNS) — Policeman Hod Eller cautioned a fan at a wrestling match against screaming profane invectives at the grunting contestants in the ring. The irate fan then turned on the cop, slugged him in the eye and ripped the shirt from his back. The winner: Elmer. The fan was arrested.

New York (CNS)—An unidentified man sauntered nonchalantly down Eighth Avenue, slugging pedestrians right and left. After he had felled a dozen with his ham-like fists, the police collared him. "I'm just mean," he explained.

MD degree from an approved medical school and a minimum of one year internship in an approved hospital.

NAZIS HAVE PLAN FOR WORLD WAR III

By Camp Newspaper Service

The State Department has made public evidence of German plans for continuing the fight for world domination even after total military defeat. The evidence was collected by various Allied Governments, and is based on reliable information, according to State Department officials.

"Nazi party members, German industrialists and the German military . . . are now developing post-war commercial projects, and are endeavoring to renew and cement friendships in foreign commercial circles and are planning for renewals of pre-war cartel agreements.

"An appeal to the courts of various countries will be made early in the post-war period through dummies for 'unlawful' seizure of industrial plants and other properties taken over by Allied Governments at the outbreak of the war. In cases where this method fails, German repurchase will be attempted through 'cloaks' who meet the necessary citizenship requirements.

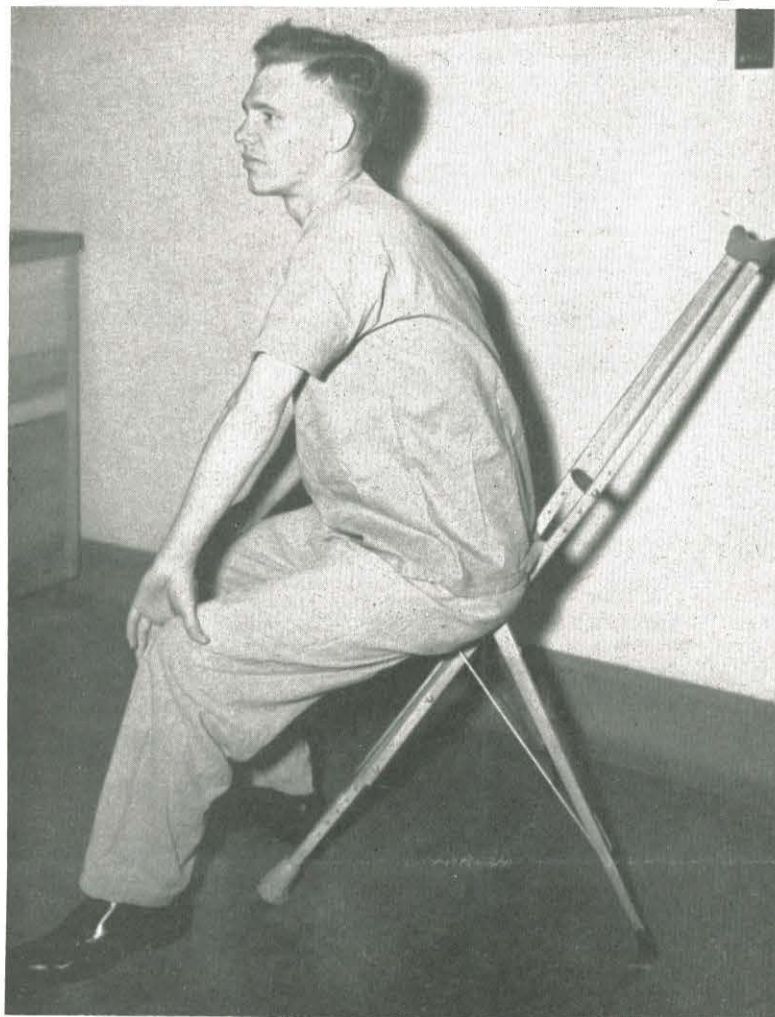
"German technicians, cultural experts and undercover agents have well laid plans to infiltrate foreign countries with the object of developing economic, cultural and political ties. German technicians and scientific research experts will be made available at low cost to industrial firms and technical schools in foreign countries. German capital and plans for the construction of ultra-modern technical schools and research laboratories will be offered at extremely favorable terms since they will afford the Germans an excellent opportunity to design and perfect new weapons."

In addition, German propaganda will be directed at removing Allied control measures by "softening up," the Allies through a subtle plea for "fair treatment," of Germans and later the program will be intensified with the object of giving rebirth to all Nazi doctrines and furthering German ambitions for world domination.



The average Jap soldier (5 ft, 3 in tall, weight 117½ pounds) is about the size of the average American college girl. He is 5 inches shorter, 28 pounds lighter than the average GI. However, he can lift a 150 pound weight to his back without spreading his legs and can march 50 miles a day without tiring.

New Crutch Seats, Gift of Crosby



Jack Elgin, HA1c, on duty in C.I.R., demonstrates one of the new crutch seats which were recently received here as a gift from Bing Crosby. The newly outfitted crutches have been logged into the storeroom and C.I.R. for distribution to patients.

You've heard it said "Handy as a crutch," well mate, it's handier.

Received recently by the hospital were 25 Botkin fatigue seats, a gift from Bing Crosby, the Hollywood star of stage, screen and radio.

Crosby arranged to have the crutch seats presented to the hospital through the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery.

The new invention is composed of a cast aluminum seat with metal struts forming the triangular folding legs. It is attached to one of the crutches in the pair and provides at a moment's notice a resting spot for the weary traveler. The crutch seat fits all sizes of crutches and supports any weight up to the capacity of the crutch itself.

Says we, it looks like the answer to our prayer of getting a seat on the bus.

San Francisco (CNS) — "Hello, short and smooth, let's rip a hip," a teen-aged bobby-soxer said to Cpl. Bill Peterson shortly after his return from the Pacific. Bill looked at the girl blankly, then replied: "Toxang yasame scocie shigots!" The bobby-soxer retired in confusion. "All I said," laughed Bill, "was 'Lots of rest and no work'—in Japanese."

Kadette Kapers

Those three "done-in" looking individuals are now awaiting the rating on state board exams. It seems that the name is followed by RN on envelopes if you are one of the fortunate creatures. Andrews, in a not too optimistic mood, declared she was looking for a CA after her name—meaning—COME AGAIN.

Now that Masie is rid of the "joint mice" here's hoping she'll be back at quarters in record time.

The curfew rings at nine every once in a while for some of us . . . sh'sh. The only gain is enough beauty sleep and somehow that isn't much consolation.

Can you imagine Shaggeby wishing it would rain!!

Now that "the man" is Michigan bound, we realize that a gal named Roberts sacks in here (and didn't we envy her!).

A very few days are left for the Cadets of 1 January. Already there's some packing going on.

New York (CNS)—Bill Ontville, a pale lad of 16, established a world's record last year. He saw 705 movies. "Most of them," says Bill, "were lousy."



A Wave's Line is as good as she can stretch it, quoth the sweet young thing, whose line snapped back in her face on a recent calendar date: Now she sits home and advises other sweet young things that you can't keep a date with two men on the same night without getting your line fouled up.

Says one of the Waves in a musing moment: "The perfect husband must be a SC1c, who has scrubbed his own gear, draws plenty of barracks detail and has the good sense to make out a sizeable allotment check" . . . dopey dream, isn't it?

Bride-to-be in the near future, Rocky was the honoree at a party pitched by a group of the girls last week at the Casa Villa. Following the dinner the Waves presented Rocky with a handsome wedding present and then finished off the evening at the movies. Rocky was also the choice of the galley gang's affection last week when they presented her with a lovely gift in honor of the forthcoming event.

Missed in the barracks is red-headed Kay Aldrich who packed up bag and baggage for a visit at home before reporting in answer to overseas orders. Belated congratulations to Kay who made second class before leaving the compound.

Orchids to the Wave officers, who in the face of the change of schedule in captain's inspection, pitched in and helped with field day. Says the enlisted, it was mighty well appreciated.

The following saying is not for hospital consumption: "Doing nothing is tiresome because you can't stop and rest."

Convalescent Hospital At Palm Beach, Florida

PALM BEACH, Fla. (HCQNS)—A new 1,400 bed convalescent hospital has been established here with Secretary Navy approval of transfer of the facilities of the Biltmore Hotel to the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery.

The hotel has been used by the Coast Guard as a training center for SPARS and will require little alteration for its new use. Included with the hotel is the famous Sun and Surf Club for recreation of patients and staff.

San Francisco (CNS)—Women are taking over more men's jobs here every day. Recently a nifty little number walked into a downtown chow house, tickled the counter-man's nose with a roscoe. "I'm a stickup man," she announced. The counterman gave her \$30 from the cash register. She left immediately.

NURSES' NOTES

As we go to press we find more orders pouring in for Lt. (jg) Eleanor McCarthy, to Washington, D. C. Smooth Sailin' in your course at St. Elizabeths. Lt. (jg) Harriet Crandall crossed the border to Corvallis, Oregon.

The turn-out for the NN's softball team has been small. Come, gals, let's start laying the foundation for that crack-up team and secure an all-run season. You, too, can wear the dashing red cap and slacks—uniform of the game! (pending arrival). Inaugurating the 1945 season, we have an 8 to 10 win over the "Superships."

Spring creeps slowly upon us and our fancy turns to thoughts of—well—mostly leaves. So have fun, you lucky people, and forget those workaday annoyances of Navy life. We have no gloomy fears of your not being eager to get back. This week a flood of stateside sea stories will hit the mid-west.

Fall or spring, we can usually locate Miss Netter among her flowerers. Need any help in your off duty project? There should be several able to handle a mean hoe!

Welcome aboard to Lt. Helen E. Grater and Lts. (jg) Miriam E. Bittle, Jane L. Blough, Margaret Hanley, Agnes Ravina, Jennis Bruck, Helen Jane Shields, Kathleen Gingras, Aurelia Scotto, and Marion Caesar, all from the U. S. Naval Hospital, Key West, Fla.

Coming from the USNH, Camp Lejeune, N. C., were Lts. (jg) Frances Morton, Margaret Murphy, Gloria Parisi, Ida Elizabeth Malaspina, Helen Leary, Evelyn Moore, Marie Gilson, Virginia Keller, Ruth Nickerson, Ann Mathews, Henrietta Hebert and Lucille Malouche.

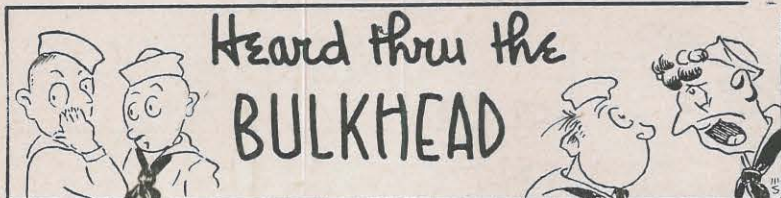
Also reporting to the local hospital last week was Lt. Martha O. Aycock, USN, from Columbus, Ohio.

Qualified Technicians Offered Hospital Jobs

JEROME, Ariz. (HCQNS)—The Phelps Dodge Corporation, United Verde Branch, a mining outfit, is seeking qualified technicians in the Hospital Corps for employment immediately in its hospitals. The firm offers permanent jobs "postwar security and salaries comparable to many of our nationwide institutions."

Pre-discharge laboratory and X-ray technicians may write to Chief Surgeon and Medical Director, United Verde Hospital, in Jerome, Arizona.

Chicago (CNS)—These are America's 10 most popular comic strips, according to a recent magazine survey: Joe Palooka, Blondie, Li'l Abner, Little Orphan Annie, Terry and the Pirates, Dick Tracy, Moon Mullins, Gasoline Alley, Bringing Up Father and The Gumps.



Story of a man's life: 20 years in which his mother keeps asking him where he is going; 40 years during which his wife asks him the same thing; then the time when the mourners wonder about it.

Seattle Cutie: "I don't mind you making love to me, but couldn't you be a little more subtle about it?"

Corpsman: "You want me to be subtle on a six-hour liberty?"

A cub reporter assigned to cover a high school play, contributed this masterpiece: "The auditorium was filled with expectant mothers, eagerly awaiting the appearance of their children."

A major in one of the aircraft warning units was using the radio transmitter to talk to pilots of two airplanes overhead who were directing fire fighting groups.

One of the pilots kept replying to the major's commands: "R-r-odger dodger!"

After a few times, the major spoke over the transmitter, "Roger will be sufficient."

In spite of his admonitions "R-r-

odger dodger" continued. Finally the major picked up the mike.

"This is Major Lane speaking. I said Rodger will be sufficient."

The voice from the airplane came back: "R-r-odger dodger, you old codger! I'm a major too!"

What's happened to Beddy, the cat. Haven't seen hide nor hare of her since she went highbrow and had her picture in the P-I. Couldn't be she's "gone to the dogs." Or could it?

The good Chief Taylor explains that he's limping because he fell off a horse and not the water wagon.

One Marine's face was a pretty shade of fuchsia when the cute little blonde in the Rec. hall said: "You don't go to shows, you don't dance. What do you do?"

USNH Seattle looked good from a distance, so as per request, "Gruberg and Miller turned up with the Portsmouth draft to their old hunting grounds, looking fit, sunburned and about 25 pounds heavier. Says Gruberg first off: "Are the planes still running to Oakland?"

WHAT IS A SEABEE: The following definition of a Seabee is offered: A soldier in a sailor's uniform with Marine training doing a civilian job for WPA wages.

Officer: "Are you happy now that you are in the Navy?"

Boot: "Yes, sir."

Officer: "What were you before you got into the Navy?"

Boot: "Much happier."

Groom: "The bank just returned your check."

Bride: Wonderful, now what shall we buy with it?"

Sh-h-h-h, Man at Work!



This unposed, off-the-record shot of Shipley in repose might have been entitled, "The Age of Innocence," or "Deep in the Arms of Morphine," but we prefer just plain "X-Out." Not knowing whether or not it was an a.m. or p.m. occasion, it just shows to go ya how tired an X-Ray tech can get. Says the head of the department: "Well, I'm glad he took off his shoes so as not to scratch the bench," I'll betcha.

Educational Department Picnics at Beaver Lake

Even if it isn't a hundred in the shade, summer is practically here, or at least the summer picnic season is: The Educational Department celebrated its annual picnic at Beaver Lake last Sunday with reports of a "wonderful time."

A good trip out, a bountiful picnic dinner and lots of fun in the interim kept the 22 guests in a good mood. Accompanying the group were Marine Captain and Mrs. Anderson and Wave Officers Peterson, Padovan and Williams.

LT. LOFTUS RECEIVES ORDERS OVERSEAS

Transferred recently from the hospital was Lt. (jg) Thomas A. Loftus (MC) USNR. Dr. Loftus had been on the station since last October. His orders directed him to

Demobilization Division Established By Navy

WASHINGTON, D. C. (HCQNS) —The Secretary of the Navy has announced establishment of Demobilization Division, Office of Planning and Control, Bureau of Naval Personnel.

The new division was designated "coordinating agency within the Navy for all matters pertaining to the demobilization program for naval personnel and as liaison organization with the War Department, the Red Cross, the various veterans' organizations and interested agencies of the Federal Government."

California where he will await further assignment to an overseas' post.

Buy War Bonds!

TIPS ON THE PIX

Recreation Auditorium

Shows at 1730 and 1930

WEDNESDAY, 30 MAY—

"FIGHTING GUARDSMAN" Willard Parker, Anita Louise.

THURSDAY, 31 MAY—

"A MEDAL FOR BENNY," Dorothy Lamour and Arturo DeCordova.

FRIDAY, 1 JUNE—

NO SHOW

SATURDAY, 2 JUNE—

"TWICE BLESSED," Lee & Lynn Wilde and James Craig.
1930 USO SHOW, "RHYTHM RUMPUS."

Welcome New Staff Men

Welcome is extended by the compound to all of the new hospital corpsmen reporting here for duty since the last issue of the Stethoscope. Included in the number were 18 pharmacists mates, first and second class, who recently completed the Independent Duty School course at Portsmouth, Va., and a group of hospital apprentices from the corps school at Farragut, Idaho. A number of others have arrived independently on orders from far flung stations.

Welcome also to the new patients who arrived independently and in the last two drafts from overseas.

